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SUBJECT: AFRICAN DEVELOPMENTS

REF: (A) 75 BRUSSELS 11366; (B) KINSHASA 1773

1. DURING TOUR D'HORIZON OF AFRICAN DEVELOPMENTS FOLLOWING  
ANNOUNCEMENT OF "NORMALIZATION" OF RELATIONS BETWEEN ANGOLA  
AND ZAIRE, FOREIGN MINISTRY'S AFRICAN AFFAIRS OFFICER (VERKAMEN)  
TOLD US FOLLOWING:

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2. OPPOSITION TO NETO - BELGIAN CONSULAR OFFICER IN LUANDA

(GRAFFE), REPORTING ON ANGOLA-ZAIRE "NORMALIZATION," EXPRESSED VIEW THAT NETO SOUGHT ACCOMMODATION WITH MOBUTU BECAUSE OF CONCERN FOR SECURITY AND STABILITY OF HIS OWN GOVERNMENT IN LUANDA. GRAFFE RETURNED TO HIS POINT (REFTEL A) THAT MULATTO MPLA LEADERSHIP IS RESENTED BY ANGOLAN BLACKS. HE CITED "BLACK OPPOSITION" OF THE POUVOIR POPULAIRE, A POLITICAL GROUP TO LEFT OF NETO, AND REVOLT ACTIVE TO RIGHT. VERKAMEN ALSO MENTIONED POTENTIAL THREAT TO NETO OF POWERFUL MILITARY COMMANDERS RETURNING TO LUANDA NOW THAT FIGHTING VIRTUALLY OVER.

3. CUBANS TO RHODESIA - BELGIAN EMBASSY IN HAVANA HAS REPORTED - WITHOUT ELABORATION - THAT "VOLUNTEERS" ARE BEING RECRUITED FROM RANKS OF CUBAN ARMY FOR SERVICE IN RHODESIA.

4. ZAMBIA DEMARCHE TO EC-9 ON RHODESIA - VERKAMEN TOLD US THAT GOVERNMENT OF ZAMBIA MADE DEMARCHE FEBRUARY 27 TO DUTCH EMBASSY IN LUSAKA ASKING THAT EC-9 APPROACH SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT TO PUT PRESSURE ON RHODESIAN PRIME MINISTER SMITH TO BE MORE "FLEXIBLE" IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH RHODESIAN BLACKS.RENNER

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